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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed November 4, 2008, Applicant respectfully submits the following amendments and comments for consideration with the accompanying Request for Continue Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks start on page 4 of this paper.